



The National Capitol Squadron (NCS) of the Commemorative Air Force (CAF) has acquired a new home in a 10,000 square foot hangar right at the entrance to the Culpeper Regional Airport effective 1 June 2005.

The NCS will use the hangar for display, protection and maintenance of their WWII-era aircraft as well as to establish a “flying museum” for both the aircraft and WWII exhibits and artifacts in keeping with the CAF mission as an educational organization dedicated to the preservation of military aviation heritage.

The squadron currently has two WWII airplanes, a basic trainer, designated as a BT-13 and an L-5 observation aircraft. The airplanes are maintained in flying condition and participate in air shows all around the mid-Atlantic region. In addition, the hangar will be used to house other appropriate privately-owned “warbird” aircraft with preference given to WWII aircraft, such as the AT-6 Texan already resident. Another post-WWII British trainer, a DeHavilland Chipmunk is also resident.



Consider joining the squadron to help maintain the heritage and become a CAF “Colonel”. As a member you may be eligible to pilot a CAF aircraft, join an aircraft support team and/or enjoy the privilege of flying in a CAF aircraft as opportunities become available. The CAF has about 100 flying historic military aircraft. The CAF is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Therefore, your membership dues and contributions are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law.

The general public is encouraged to come out and visit with us as we continue to grow our presence at the airport and in the community. Exhibits and activities at the hangar are planned and will be announced as they occur, as well as opportunities to buy rides in the aircraft. You can also contact us about an educational tour for schools, scouts or other groups.

More information on the Commemorative Air Force can be learned from the web site [www.commemorativeairforce.org](http://www.commemorativeairforce.org) and the National Capitol Squadron at [www.natlcapsq.org](http://www.natlcapsq.org) or by contacting Col Grover Amick at [amick@toast.net](mailto:amick@toast.net) or (540) 423-1005.